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Dia Art Foundation Acquires Works by Lee Ufan and Kishio Suga

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Dia Art Foundation has added eight works by the artists Lee Ufan and Kishio Suga to its collection. Two of the works by Suga can currently be seen at Dia:Chelsea in New York, in an exhibition that opened last fall and continues through July 29.

Both artists are members of the Mono-ha movement, which emerged in Japan in the 1960s and focuses on natural and man-made materials. The acquisition's three pieces by Ufan feature materials like steel, wood, and rope—to highlight, according to a Dia statement, "the interconnectedness of varied materials."

"The addition of Lee Ufan and Kishio Suga to Dia's collection was a natural progression,"



Kishio Suga, Diagonal Phase, 1969/2012.

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Jessica Morgan, Dia's director, said in a statement that alludes to the foundation's "commitment to reflect a greater understanding of the seminal work that was being made internationally during the period that Dia has championed." Morgan added: "Both artists were contributing to parallel conversations around Minimalism and Postminimalism in the 1960s and 1970s, and are still developing their resonant and influential practices today."

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